

*C* 14. (amended) A method of producing <sup>biocompetent</sup> fibrinogen comprising:

incorporating a first DNA segment encoding a secretion signal operably linked to an  $A\alpha$  chain of fibrinogen into a  $\beta$ -lactoglobulin gene to produce a first gene fusion comprising a  $\beta$ -lactoglobulin promoter operably linked to the first DNA segment;

*Q1* incorporating a second DNA segment encoding a secretion signal operably linked to a  $B\beta$  chain of fibrinogen into a  $\beta$ -lactoglobulin gene to produce a second gene fusion comprising a  $\beta$ -lactoglobulin promoter operably linked to the second DNA segment;

*enam C* incorporating a third DNA segment encoding a secretion signal operably linked to a  $\gamma$  chain of fibrinogen into a  $\beta$ -lactoglobulin gene to produce a third gene fusion comprising a  $\beta$ -lactoglobulin promoter operably linked to the third DNA segment;

introducing <sup>15</sup> said first, second and third gene fusions into the germ line of a non-human mammal so that said DNA segments are expressed in a mammary gland of said mammal or its female progeny and biocompetent fibrinogen is secreted into milk of said mammal or its female progeny;

obtaining milk from said mammal or its female progeny; and

recovering said fibrinogen from said milk.

*Q2* 16. (amended) A method according to claim 11 wherein said introducing step comprises injecting said first, second and third gene fusions into a pronucleus of a fertilized egg and inserting said egg into an oviduct of a pseudopregnant female to produce female offspring carrying said gene fusions in the germ line, wherein said egg and said pseudopregnant female are of the same species.

*L* In claim 18 please delete "nucleus" and insert therefor, --nuclei--.

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